

Library

In response to the call of the president, about twenty members of the Library association met in the library room Saturday evening to arrange for the carrying on or disposal of the library.

No definite action was taken. Mayor Redman, Rev. Brown and Mr. L.E. Sperry were appointed a committee to confer with the firemen, the Commercial club and the city council relative to the purchase of the books and report at a meeting to be held Saturday, Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the library room.

At this time it is desired that all member who wish to have a voice in the matter will be present that there may be no after dissatisfaction--
Yakima Herald, Jan 24, 1895.

The members of the Library association held their second suspense meeting on Saturday night last and before adjourning had definitely settled upon a plan of action.

When the meeting was called to order the report of the committees appointed to visit the Commercial club, the city council and the firemen was heard. Rev. Brown as chairman stated that while it was possible for the city under present laws to set aside one fourth of one mill for the maintenance of a library, it was yet hardly probable that the council would care to take immediate action on account of the scarcity of money. The Commercial club could do nothing but give moral assistance; the firemen had not had a meeting and would not hold one until the 31st.

The committee was continued in order that the report of the action of the fire department might be heard.

A motion was introduced and carried that each member of the association should be assessed the sum of 25 cents per month to pay running expenses or \$2.50 per year if paid in advance and that the sum

heretofore charged for books taken should hereafter not be collected--the
25 cents a month to pay for the charge.

A motion was then made that any gentleman or lady, residents of
the city, acceptable to the governing board or held to be
responsible to them, should be permitted to draw books from the
library on payment of the 25 cents per month; but should have no vote
in the affairs of the association. The motion was also carried.

It was also determined that the ladies should retain full control
of the library and that efforts should be made to secure
donations of books and money--Yakima Herald, Jan 31, 1895.

Library--Club House

Editor, the Herald:

The suggestion made in your paper recently that our Yakima club be converted into a commercial club with incidental social features has been approved by many members of the club.....

..A short sighted, narrow-minded picayunish policy, together with inactivity, will cause no end of trouble and will fail to attract the class of citizens we want when other towns shall have sprung up, as they are bound to, between here and Kennewick.

Now, nothing will do more to unify our townspeople than to get everybody interested in and working for a common object. ..

"Now the cavalry troop and infantry company are pulling together and working for an armory hall, and the ladies of the town are making commendable efforts in behalf of a public library.

Let us all join hands and erect a structure with an armory on the first floor, a club and library on the second.

The library would be a splendid attribute to the club. The club secretary could be the librarian and thus divide the running expenses. The same economy for lighting, heating and janitor service could be realized....E.B. Benson, Yakima Herald, December 21, 1893.

Library

One of the most pleasant afternoon talks ever given by the ladies of the library association was that had at the home of Mrs. Edward Whitson on Saturday, the 10th inst.

The president, Mrs. Steinweg, ~~not~~ being able to be present, Mrs. Prosser filled her place in a very graceful manner. After a piano solo, by Mrs. Boyle, and a mandolin and guitar duet by the Misses Maher and Wright, both of which were greatly enjoyed by the audience, came Mrs. Reavis' paper descriptive of her trip to Alaska a few years ago.

Her description was so realistic that when she closed every lady felt she had accompanied her and been on the party to walk the streets of Sitka.

After reading the paper the ladies enjoyed hearing the Misses Wright and Maher in a mandolin duet, accompanied by Miss Effie Cary at the piano. The last piece on the program, though by no means the least enjoyed, was a violin solo by Miss Ethel Young, accompanied by Mrs. Whitson.

The attendance was quite large, about fifty ladies being present. The last of this winter's series of parlor talks will be given at the home of Miss Allen, April 7, at which time a review of all the previous papers written by Mrs. Dr. Pugley will be read--Yakima Herald, March 22, 1894.

Library

The dance under the auspices of the Ladies Library association is booked for Mason's opera house on Friday evening, May 10.

This should be a well attended ball, as the association is one of the most worthy of the city's variety of institutions.

The lady managers of the library association have contended for months with difficulties in the way of lack of financial assistance and the present opportunity should be embraced by all residents of this city who realize the great good the free library does for its many patrons--Yakima Herald, May 2, 1895.

Library

The executive board of the Library association most heartily thank the public and their fellow members of the society for their generous assistance and patronage of the ball given last Friday evening.

The ladies of the Library association cleared \$75 at the sunflower dance. The receipts from the refreshment tables being sufficient to meet all expenses. All members of the association are entitled to the selection of one or more books soon to be purchased. The executive board will be very glad to receive suggestions from all friends of the association, regardless of membership. All such suggestions to be handed to the secretary, Mrs. G.A.Graham, before Wednesday, May 22--Yakima Herald, May 16, 1895.

Library

During the past week the hearts of the Library Association have been made glad by the very generous gift of one hundred dollars, given by the executive committee of the Yakima Fair. The Executive Board of the Library association wish to thank the board this public way for their proffer and more than welcome donationO--Yakima Herald, Dec. 12, 1895.

Library

The Library Association is arranging to give a benefit ball at Mason's opera house on Tuesday evening, Feb. 24--Yakima Herald, January 13, 1897

The library ball was the largest attended public dance given in the city in many a year.

Mason's opera house had been decorated for the occasion and the several lady patronesses served bouillon and crackers in one corner. All present seemed to enjoy themselves and none left until "Home Sweet Home" was suggested by the music. A snug sum must have been realized by the association--Yakima Herald, Feb. 4, 1897.

Library

All friends of the public library should attend the entertainment at the Hotel Yakima parlors on Wednesday evening next.

A program has been arranged which can not fail to please all.

Mrs. Atchkinson, a recent addition to Yakima's circles, will appear for the first time in this city in an instrumental number, the lecture by Mr. Hassell on Humor and Pathos will be entertaining.

The admission fee of 25 cents will be used in the purchase of books for the library--Yakima Herald, April 15, 1897.

The regular annual meeting of the Yakima Library association for the election of three trustees and a librarian will be held in the library rooms at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening, April 29. A full attendance is requested--Yakima Herald, April 22, 1897.

Teachers Library

A number of teachers and others interested in the cause of education have organized a Teachers' Library association.

The initiation fee is one dollar in cash or books and the offices are a president, secretary, treasurer, librarian and executive committee of three members.

County Superintendent Plumb is librarian and the books are kept in his office where access can be had to them every Saturday. The regular annual meeting occurs at the time of holding the teachers' annual institute.

The association starts out with seventeen members and twenty nine volumes of standard works very helpful to the teacher and the movement cannot but be beneficial to our county school system--Yakima Herald, September 2, 1897.

Library

There are now 700 volumes of standard literature in the public library and the terms of membership within the reach of all.

There are 147 life memberships, who pay one dollar for a life certificate, non assessable and by the payment of an annual fee of one dollar or fifteen cents a month books may be taken by the life members as often as wanted.

Transient readers may obtain the benefits of the library for 25 cents a month and four months dues make them eligible for a life membership.

Mrs. Jennie Bartholet is the librarian and books can be obtained of her on Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m and on Saturdays from 2 to 7 p.m.

It is hoped that many persons from the country desiring to beguile the long winter evenings with excellent reading matter will become members.

All those desiring access to the library can make application to the president, W.L. Steinweg, at the First National bank. The library is located in the Syndicate block, Second and A streets. A liberal patronage of this indispensable institution will enable the trustees to purchase more books and keep the library open longer during the week--Yakima Herald, Oct.14, 1897.

Library

At the annual meeting of the Library association new officers were elected as follows:

President Rev. H.M. Bartlett. Second vice president, A.B. Weed. First vice president Mrs. G.A. Graham. Secretary Mrs. F.C. Sharkey Treasurer, W.A. Bell. Librarian Mrs. Virginia Bartholet. Three new trustees were elected and three of the old trustees retain their positions. New ones are Mrs. Lizzie Burlingame, A.B. Weed and ~~A.~~ W.A. Bell.

The trustees decided to spend for \$100 worth of new books immediately.

Last year 143 books were purchased and 158 donated.

The receipts for the year were \$291.22 and the expenditures \$152.22.

The balance on hand, April 21, amounted to \$179.85.

The total receipts from the Woman's Edition of The Herald were \$173.91.

On April 30 Mrs. Mary Ellen Lease will lecture under the auspices of the K of P for the benefit of the Library association.

Appropriate resolutions of thanks to those who managed and assisted in issuing the Woman's Edition were passed and ordered spread on the records.

A resume of the rules of the association might not be out of place at this time...(omitted) Yakima Herald, April 21, 1898.

The library association appropriated a portion of the earnings of the Woman's Edition of The Herald for the purchase of new books and President Bartholet informs us that they have ordered the following list of works which will be delivered in a short time:

Famous Leaders' Among Women: great Writers Series, Longfellow, Dickens, Darwin, Scott, Burns, Hugo, Emerson, Heine, Mill, Smollett; Symbolic Education; The Refugees; Reminiscences of Froebel; Education of Man; The Young American; a Political Primer of New York State and City; a Federal Judge; Story of the Cowboy; The Great Secret; In Buff

and Blue; Captain Shays; Don't Worry; Frobel's Education or Self Activity
Unseen World; Famous Men of Science; Little Homespun; The Sowers;
A Literary Courtship; Romance of Dollard; Story of Marga et Kent;
Throckmorton; In the Suntime of Her Youth; Through Colonial Doorways;
The Oregon Trail; The Christian; In Kodar's Tents; Auld Lang Syne; Little
Sister of the Wilderness; Story of the Other Wise Men; Caleb West; Tom
Grogan; Penelope's Progress; in Simpkinsville; People We Pass; The Red
Bridge/ Neighborhood; The Workers; Shrewsbury; St Ives; The Land of
Montezumas; Sermons to Young Men; Quo Vadis; The Choir Invisible;
Soldiers of Fortune; Hugh Wynne; The Master; Under the Red Robe;
The Kentucky Cardinal; Girl at Cobhurst; The Wrestler of Phillipi;
Captains Courageous; Story of Great America for Young Americans;
Plant World; in Brook and Bayou; Curious Houses and their Tenants; Citizen
Bird; A Boy I Know and Four Dogs; Big Cypress; Polly Oliver's Problem;
Historic Boys; Modern Vikings--Yakima Herald, May 26, 1898.

Library

The much talked of Woman's Edition of the Herald is a thing of the past, the large number of ladies who worked hard to make it the success that it was are resting up and congratulating themselves that they don't have to get a paper out every week and Mrs. Graham, who is treasurer of the library association, is trying to get a purse large enough to contain the proceeds of the venture.

The history of the undertaking up to the time of going to press was given by the ladies themselves and we take pleasure in telling of later events connected with the affair.

Owing to an increase of four pages over the number originally intended (30 in all) the last pages did not go to the press until after noon Saturday. At that time a large number of ladies were present to fold and prepare the edition for the mails.

A few gentlemen came in to assist, among them one of the pastors of the city, the cashier of one of the banks and the superintendent of our city-schools. Twenty-two people at a time were engaged in this work and as soon as a few of the papers were ready they were sent to the postoffice for distribution.

The demand for copies of the edition was far greater than anybody anticipated and almost invariably the number originally ordered was increased when the paper had been inspected. One thousand extra copies were printed and with exception of a few that were spoiled, one and possibly a couple of dozen remaining at the news stands, they have all been sold.

The North Yakima Drug Store, Taft & Taft, Janeck's, Roaf & Stout, and Moore all kept them on sale without any charge and in the same way from the start, all the work of every description on the paper has been done at cost and in addition to this the publishers of The Herald pay \$10 toward the cost of the front page cut, thus adding

their contribution to other business houses to swell the library fund which will net something over \$170---...Yakima Herald, Feb. 24, 1898.

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The call issued in last week's Herald by President Steinweg of the Library association was promptly responded to by a large number of ladies who gathered to consider the matter of issuing a special edition of The Herald for the benefit of the Library association.

As the ladies were gathering the subject was discussed from many standpoints and a good deal of interest was manifested in the venture.

The meeting was called to order by President Steinweg who suggested that the first thing in order would be the election of a chairman and accordingly Mrs. Sharkey was elected to this position. Mrs. Edward Whitson was chosen secretary and the meeting proceeded to consider the proposition as published last week, which offers to place the ladies in charge of the editorial and business management of The Herald for one week in consideration that they turn over their earnings to the library fund, the proprietors of the paper to receive no portion of the earnings of business secured by the ladies beyond the cost of the extra work and material caused by them.

The proposition was unanimously accepted and February 17 (the Thursday before Washington's birthday) was selected as the date for issuing the paper which it was decided to call "Woman's Washington Edition."

Mrs. Hassell was elected editor -in-chief and Mesdames Stair, Bartlett and Hall were selected as associate editors. Mrs. Edward Whitson was elected as business manager and given authority to select her own assistants.

There being no further business on hand the meeting adjourned until called together again by Mrs. Sharkey.

The ladies plan is proving a popular one with the merchants, who, as far as interviewed, express themselves well pleased with the plan to give Yakima the most popular edition of any paper that has ever been issued in Central Washington--Yakima Herald, January 13, 1898.

Library

Pursuant to a resolution passed at a meeting of the trustees of the Yakima Library Association held Wednesday evening at which time a proposition was received and accepted from the Yakima Herald to issue a special "Washington Birthday Woman's" Edition for the benefit of the library, an invitation is hereby extended to all ladies of North Yakima who will assist in the matter to meet at The Herald Office on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for the purpose of making preliminary arrangements.

W.L. Steinweg, president
Yakima Herald, Jan 6, 1898.

One of the most public spirited institutions in North Yakima is the Library. Association and no other organization in our midst is more deserving of the support and encouragement of the people of this city.

The association is several years old and from time to time has added to its collection of books until now the shelves are a credit to the community and a lasting monument to the memory of all those who have helped it from time to time.

However the present management is determined to make still further advancement and with this end in view a special meeting of the directors convened on Wednesday evening and considered a proposition from The Herald for the ladies of North Yakima to issue a special edition for the purpose of raising funds for new books and also to thoroughly advertise the library. The matter was carefully considered and after mature deliberation was accepted and the call printed below is the result.

The Herald made the proposition at the suggestion of one of the ladies and has gone into the matter without expecting to make one dollar out of it beyond the cost of the extra work occasioned, so that the total

net profits of the undertaking will go into the library fund. A lively interest in the matter has already been worked up among a number of the ladies and the meeting called for Saturday afternoon gives promise of being well attended--Yakima Herald, Jan. 6, 1898.

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The book committee of the public library has placed upon its shelves a set containing thirty volumes of the celebrated Warner library of the world's best literature. This is a remarkably valuable addition and is alone worth many times the price of membership.

By means of it one can make himself well acquainted with the literature of the whole world, ancient and modern, English and foreign. This library was purchased with funds lately contributed by the Knights of Pythias. The volumes are now ready for consultation--Yakima Herald, Nov. 3, 1898.

Library

Forty new volumes of recent books have just been placed in the library and are now ready to be issued.

The following are some of the more important books:

Mark Twain's Following the Equator; Stanley's South Africa; Brady's First Love of Country; Nansen's Farthest North, Northward Over the Great Ice; Shalsi's Outlines of the Earth's History; the Eugene Field I Knew; What is Good Music; The Workers; Henry George's Science of Political Economy; Spain in the Nineteenth Century; Geographical Statistics of Mexico; Story of the Birds, besides a number of interesting works for boys and girls.

The trustees would like to call the attention of parents to the large numbers of interesting books for boys and girls which the library now contains. If you wish your child to learn habits of reading which will be a delight and help to him all his life besides keeping him out of temptation now, get a membership ticket to the library. For every subscription adds two new books.

The trustees will usually be glad to order books that may be wanted. The library is open Wednesday and Saturday Evenings--

Yakima Herald, July 14, 1898.